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Brigadier General Rodney L. Johnson Provost Marshall General of the Army Commanding General, U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command 6010 6th Street Fort Belvoir, Virginia 22060-5506

Dear General Johnson:

We are writing to ask whether your office's criminal investigation into the death of Corporal Patrick Tillman included a review of communications through non-governmental e-mail accounts used by subjects and witnesses.

As you may know, the Committee has been investigating the use of nongovernmental email accounts to conduct official business. We have received information from a former Department of Defense ("DoD") official that information from the field was often transmitted to DoD officials through personal e-mail accounts. Having reviewed your office's findings and examined material collected in the course of our own investigation related to this matter, we are unable to determine if your office's inquiry involved obtaining and evaluating e-mails sent to or received by military and civilian officials through non-governmental e-mail accounts.

Consequently, we ask that you advise us whether subjects and witnesses were asked about the use of personal e-mail accounts to communicate about the Tillman matter, whether such communications were obtained and reviewed in the course of the investigation, and if they were not, whether you intend to secure and review them now.

We trust you understand that a complete understanding of this matter necessarily requires consideration of all relevant communications. As you know, we are absolutely

committed to ensuring that all avenues of inquiry are properly explored in this matter, and we look forward to receiving your reply. Please contact David Rapallo for the Majority at 202-225-5051 or Jennifer Safavian for the Minority at 202-225-5074 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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